UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF MASSACHUSETTS

MERRIMACK MUTUAL FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, a/so/ JOHN McDONOUGH

Plaintiff,

CIVIL ACTION NO. 04CV10091-MLW

v.

APPLICA CONSUMER PRODUCTS, INC., Defendant.

PARTIES JOINT STATEMENT PURSUANT TO FED.R.CIV.P. 26(f) AND L.R. 16.1(b)

The parties to the above-captioned matter, by and through their attorneys, hereby state that:

1. Pursuant to Fed.R.Civ.P. 26(f) and L.R. 16.1(b), they conferred for the purpose

of:

- a. Preparing an agenda of matters to be discussed at the scheduling conference;
- b. Preparing a proposed pretrial schedule for the case that includes a plan for discovery; and
- c. Considering whether they will consent to trial by magistrate judge.
- 2. After consideration of the topics contemplated by Fed.R.Civ.P. 16(b) and 26(f) the parties propose the following pretrial schedule:

Pretrial Activity	<u>Date</u>
Required disclosures (26(a))	June 15, 2004
Written discovery requests	July 30, 2004
Motions to amend or supplement pleadings	August 31, 2004
Nonexpert disclosures by Plaintiff	September 31, 2004

Pretrial Activity Nonexpert disclosures by Defendant Final answers to expert interrogatories by plaintiff Final answers to expert interrogatories by defendant All discovery completed All dispositive motions filed Determine 29, 2004 November 30, 2004 December 15, 2004 December 15, 2004 February 28, 2004

Dated: April 30, 2004

Respectfully Submitted, MERRIMACK MUTUAL FIRE INSURANCE CO. a/s/o JOHN MCDONOUGH By its attorneys, Respectfully Submitted, APPLICA CONSUMER PRODUCTS, INC., By its attorneys,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, Geoffrey M. Coan, hereby certify that I have this 30th day of April, 2004, served a copy of the foregoing upon all parties of record by mailing same postage prepaid to:

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Dear Clerk of Court:

Enclosed for filing please find the Parties Joint Statement Pursuant to Fed.R.Civ.P.26(f) and L.R. 16.1(b)

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

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Geoffery W. Coan

GMC/svm Enclosures

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